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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claim 1 and add new claims 20-47 as follows:

-20. A communication method for a mobile terminal moving between networks, comprising the steps of:

receiving a first message on a second network, when said mobile terminal has moved from a first network executing communications by using at least a first kind of protocol to said second network executing communications by using a second kind of protocol;

detecting that said mobile terminal, has moved to said second network, based on information included in said first message;

acquiring a first address that complies with said second kind of protocol on said second network; and 04/22/2002 ADSMAN1 00000080 09649960

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